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WEATHER: PROBABLY FAIR WEDNESDAY

THOUSANDS DIE AS **VOLCANO BURIES** TOWNS IN JAPAN

Countryside-350 Shocks from Earthquakes.

TIDAL WAVE ADDS TO HEAVY LOSS OF LIFE

Terror-Stricken People Flee, Leaving Everything Behind. Property Loss Millions.

NAGASAKI, Japan. Jan. 13.—Indications today are that the death list from the earthquakes and volcanic disturbances around Kagoshima will run into the thousands. Government authorities declare that any official estimate of the extent of the disaster will be impossible for several days.

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The population of the city of Kagoshima, which is almost completely buried in volcanic ashes and stones, was 60,000 at the last census. The population of the adjoining island of Sakura, the centre of the disturbance, is given as 15,000. On this island hundreds are reported to have perished beneath the streams of molten lava from the volcano of Sakura-Jima. Many more were undoubtedly drowned while attempting to escape. Doctors and hospital attendants have been sent to the scene, but it is difficult to reach the spot as railroad communication is impeded by the heaps of ashes and the tracks have been dislocated by the earthquakes.

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The violence of the eruption of Sakura-Jima is so great that showers of dust are falling here today, although the distance between Nagasaki and the Island of Sakura is about ninety miles.

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Eruption Starts Suddenly.

A refugee who arrived here today from Kagoshima gave the following account of the disaster:

"The eruption started suddenly with columns of thick black smoke and flame from the crater of Sakura-Jima. Hundreds of the inhabitants of the small island in the Gulf of Kagoshima, where Sakura-Jima is situated, rushed to the beach and leaped on board junks and steamers, which carried them across three miles of water to Kagoshima, ashes, stones and particles of white hot lava falling all the while on the decks.

At Kagoshima the heat was intense. The constantly increasing hail of glowing cinders made it impossible for the citizens to remain.

"The horror was increased by the shaking caused by incessant shocks of earthquake, which rocked the houses all day. More than 250 earthquake shocks were recorded before nightfall.

His Hotel.

PALISADES, Jan. 13.-Henry Bran-PALISADES, Jan. 13.—Henry Brandenburg, fifty years old, rescued his wife and four children and then died in the flames as he tried to save some papers, when fire early today destroyed his hotel here.

Samuel S. Dennis, James C. McDonald, James P. Dusenberry, John O. H. Pitney, Edward L. Dobbins, Matthew T. Gay, David H. Merritt, James S. Higble, C. Edwin Young, Albert H. Baldwin, Wynant D. Vanderpool, Philemon, L. Headley, Pater.

Brandenburg discovered the fire and carried Mrs. Brandenburg and the children out of the building. They were shivering in the cold when the volunteer fire department turned out.

Rescuers found him burned to death

LOCAL OPTION AS TO SUNDAY SHOWS **BLOOM BILL PLAN**

Legalize Amusements That Are Popular in Newark.

[From a Staff Correspondent.] TRENTON, Jan. 13.—A bill which ray have an important bearing on may have an important bearing on Sunday amusements, such as theatricals, Moving pictures, bicycle races and baseball was introduced by Assemblyman Joseph B. Bloom, of Essex, in the Legislature today. It fathers a supplement to the act for suppressing vice and immorality, approved March 27, 1874.

The Bloom bill grants to municipalities or associations, by ordinance, the right to regulate features of the act as applicable to Sunday observances.

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are affected in these local applications.

Local option in applying the Sunday law governing indoor and outdoor amusements on that day is sought, by a provision that the Board of Aldermen, Common Council, Township Committee or other governing body of any municipality in the State, or camp meeting associations shall have power to adopt ordinances to regulate and prohibit the act made unlawful by the first four sections, and the eighth section of the vice and immorality act.

The amendment ratifles the law and propose to amend it so that it can be applied locally as the citizens think fit.

FEDERAL RESERVE PLAN APPROVED

More Newark Concerns Join Currency Reform Move at Annual Elections.

Annual elections were need by many Newark banks today. A number of them voted to enter the new Federal Reserve, thus indorsing the plan for currency reform. Other banks are expected to vote in favor of the plan late this afternoon.

Among the banks that did vote to join the regional bank system were

W. A. Williamson, William I. Cooper, George W. Jagle, Edward E. Rhodes, Edward Randolph. National Newark Banking Company.

derpool, Philemon L. Hoadley, Peter Campbell, William E. Stewart. Essex County National.

Benjamin Atha, George F. Reeve, J William Clark, Joseph Ward, jr., Wal (Continued on Page 2, Column 3.)

CUT IN CLOTH PRICE MAY LOWER COST OF CLOTHES, BUT SHOES MAY REACH \$10

FEAR FOR VESSEL AS S. O. S. CALL SUDDENLY FAILS

Streams of Molten Lava Sweep Essex Man's Measure Aims to Liner Cobequid Stranded in Bay Flames from Christmas Tree of Fundy With 225 Aboard.

> STEAMERS RACING TO RESCUE THROUGH GALE

tion, Reported in Wireless Messages.

HALIFAX, N. S., Jan. 13.-Groping her way toward St. John, N. B., through a blinding snowstorm, the on a ledge at the entrance to the Bay of Fundy early today. After sending out wireless calls for assistance, the

Isiled and it has not been possible to restore communication with her. It was first reported that the steamer was ashore off Briar Island on the east side of the bay, but the lighthouse-keeper there later reported that he could not locate her. It was then thought that she might be on one of the ledges at the western entrance it the hay. She is said to have

one of the ledges at the western entrance to the bay. She is said to have 150 persons on board, including a crew of seventy-five men.

The Cobequid got off her course when bound from the West Indies and Bermuda for St. John, N. B.

Vessel Leaking Badly.

Reports received here state that the steamer reported that her forward hold was filled with water, and that she was leaking badly.

The Bay of Fundy was swept today by a terrific northwest gale, accompanied by thick snow, which made difficult the task of locating and assisting the steamer. The first news of the Cobequid's plight reached here in a dispatch to the department.

"Five a. m. today, Cobequid reports being on the rocks off Briar Island, Bay of Fundy. Have advised Kronprinzessin Cecilie to please assist."

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It was subsequently learned by telephone from Westport, the nearest port to Briar Island, that no sign of the Cobequid could be seen from there. The Briar Island lighthouse keeper reported that he could not locate the Cobequid on the rocks off the island at the western entrance to the bay. It was thought that the captain of the Cobequid, having lost his bearings in the blizzard, was mistaken in giving a ledge off Briar

the island at the western entrance to the bay. It was thought that the captain of the Cobequid, having lost his bearings in the blizzard, was mistaken in giving a ledge off Briar Island as the scene of the accident.

Steamers Answer Wireless Call.

As soon as the grounding of the Cobequid became known, C. H. Harvey, agent of the department of marine and lisheries, sent wireless to the government steamer Lady Laurier to proceed to the steamer's assistance. Under favorable conditions the Lady Laurier should reach the Cobequidearly tomorrow.

When the Cape Sable station sent out the radio call for help the message was picked up by the Kronprin-

Among the banks that did vote to join the regional bank system were the Union National Bank, the Essex County National Bank, the Merchants' National Bank, the Marinal Newarl Banking Company, the North Word National Bank and the National State Bank.

There were few changes on the boards of directors of the various banks. In several instances vacancies by death had to be filled.

Carl H. Lebkuecher was elected to succeed his father, the late Julius A. Lebkuecher, on the directorate of the Union National Bank.

While the Federal reserve question was the feature of most of the elections, not every bank considered the question. The hotable exceptions were the Fidelity Trust Company, the Federal Trust Company and the Manufacturers' National Bank. The Iron-leb.

wast Company will vote to the distressed vessel. These picked up her first wireless call for each of the most serious in the history of Japan. The loss of life and property increases with fuller news from the seen.

The full extent of the disaster could not be ascertained today, as all communication was cut off from the circle will or ninety miles north of Kagoshima. The navy department was unable to obtain a wireless report from (Continued on Part 2, Column 4.)

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Against P. R. R. Is Upheld

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13.-Judge PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 13.—Judge Gray, in the United States Circuit Court of Appeals, yesterday affirmed the verdict of \$7,500 found by a jury before Judge Rellstab, of the New Jersey District Court, in favor of Catherine Hickey, widow of John A. Hickey, who was killed while at work in the yard of the Pennsylvania railroad at Waverly, N. J.

SIX ARE SAVED IN APARTMENT BUILDING FIRE

Sweep Through North Broad Street Structure.

FATHER IS BURNED SAVING CHILDREN

Ship Cannot Be Seen in Loca- Women Taken from Upper Stories by Firemen-Home for Aged in Danger.

several children were trapped by flames in the six-story Irving apartmail steamer Cobequid struck ments, Broad and Gouverneur streets, ledge at the entrance to the Bay this afternoon. The women were ndy early today. After sending

carried down the fire escapes to safety by firemen and policemen. The
blaze was started by an electric battery attached to a Christmas tree in
one of the rooms.

The Home for Aged Women,
adjoining the Irving apartment
house, was threatened by the quick
spread of the fire. Many of the inmates were badly frightened. None
were hurt. Two alarms were sent
in, one right after the other, in order
to save the buildings near the Irving.
The fire was discovered at 2:15. A
minute later the flames were sweeping through the halls and into the
stairways.

Mrs. Cornelius V. Losee was in her apartments on the first floor when she detected the fire. A Christmas tree in the room was ablaze. She ran

tree in the room was ablaze. She ran out screaming and left her two children, three years old and seven months old.

The alarm was quickly given. Before the firemen arrived the blaze was well under way. It had spread to the elevator shaft.

Mr. Losee was badly burned trying to save his children. He was taken to the office of Dr. Thomas Boyle, Broad street and Belleville avenue. David Wells, a janitor for the Home for Aged Women, saved the Losee children. He rushed in when he heard the mother's screams.

George R. Hill, eighty-three, an invalid, was taken from the sixth floor by firemen. He was brought down the fire-escape.

Several of the women in the apartments above the first floor escaped to the street, but others were too late. They found the hallways and stairs choked with smoke.

When the firemen reached the scene on the first alarm, the first floor was in flames.

A woman on the third floor threw up a window and screamed for help.

CITY SHIVERS IN **GRIP OF COLDEST** DAY THIS WINTER

city shivered in near-zero weather, with a biting northwest

Leaders in the Legislature



Acting-Governor Leon R. Taylor and (left) Senator

with others to the Home for the Aged.

Mr. Hill, who was rescued from an upper floor, tried to get down the stairs. His sister was with him. They found their path cut off, and were forced to retreat to their rooms.

Mrs. Martha B. Hill is the owner of the building. She does not reside there, it was said by persons living in the Irving.

McLean was one of those indicted as a result of the John Doe inquiry with the man into the alleged methods of political campaign agents in extra contracting contributions from contractors and contracting companies engaged in the construction of State from the Irving.

McLean, a wealthy Newburg, N. Y., business man, has been treasurer of the Democratic State Committee for the last ten years. He was indicted on evidence that he accepted campaign contributions of \$400 and

HUERTA DEFAULTS IN BOND INTEREST

Semi-Annual Payment of Internal and External Debt Interest Passed By.

20.2. The humidity ranged between

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Notre Dame, Old

Cathedral, Afire

MONTREAL, Jan. 13.—Notre Dame
Cathedral, famous the world over, caught fire this afternoon from a blaze that originated in the business district. For a time at was thought that the fire was under control but it was revived by a strong wind and spread from a harware store, where it started to other structures.

Bradley Girl Refuses to

Leave Foster for Father

WASHINGTON, Jan. 13.—The failure of the Mexican government to meet its most important financial obligation—the interest on its externomical months internal debt—emphasized to official Washington that the Huerta government really was in serious financial distress.

That the United States by its policy of financial blockade in preventing the Huerta government from negotiating a loan was in a measure repossible was frequently expressed in official circles.

Mexicans here, conversant with the affairs of the Huerta government, the police of the Fourth Precinct are evidently satisfied that Michael Robbins, sixteen years old, of 30magnolia street, who is in danger of death at the City Hospital from swallowing two bichloride of mercury that the fire was under control but it was the high exchange rate. They said that while the interest amounted to approximately 7,000,000 pessos it started to other structures.

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TRUST NOW SEEKS TO GRAB **CLAM INDUSTRY OF STATE**

Agents Make Glittering Promises to Diggers and Purchase Supply for New York Market.

the people don't look out they will find that clams will be as scarce as eggs in a short time, said a clam-digger at Atlantic Highlan started an investigation that carried the reporter again

The clam industry along the Shrewsbury

have to get into the water with the thermometer around zero and dig the clams out of the sand or mud with a pitchfork. Then when the tidewater

hand-nets.

Some of the clams are sold by the bushel or barrel, but the greater amount of the catch is opened and tied up in bunches for sale in the retail markets. The work of opening the clams and stringing them falls on the ficers women folks of the clam-diggers, and at this time of the year it is the "seance". vettest and coldest kind of work, for which there is very little compen-

During the past week or ever since. The advent of the heavy storms, there has been very little tide off and as a result the men have had very little work. When they can't work there is no income for the family. That means privation. The men are industrious and the work is hard and for many years they have been selling their clams direct to the dealers and saloon trade here in the State at \$2 a barrel. At no time has the supply been equal to the demand.

Here is where the trust agent of

MAN ARRESTED IN TRUNK MYSTERY

ant Steinkampf, together with several other detectives, early today arrested other detectives, early today arrested a man who was taken t othe Clinton street police station, where he is being got under way this afternoon was denien of the world beyond, who disheld pending his appearance before held pending his appearance before one by Assemblyman Lawrence Mc- appointed the audience by her failure Second Deputy Police Commissioner Cabe, jr., of Essex, limiting the hours to filter having out through the key-

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Near Death in Hospital

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LEGISLATURE IS ORGANIZED FOR 138TH SESSION

Both Branches Convene at Noon and Committees Are Named.

ACTING GOVERNOR TAYLOR PRESENTS HIS MESSAGE

General in Tone and Contains a Plea for Progressive Lawmaking.

iles in the Senate and House of A sembly, the 138th annual session of State Legislature began today

IMPRESS POLICE

Rude Officers Lay Desecrating Hands on "Unearthly" Visitor.

Braving spirit visitors "from the other world," six skeptical police officers last night interrupted a "seance" in a darkened room at 155 New street, and arrested an "uncerthly" visitor and her husband. They gave their names as Hannah Boehmer, forty-eight years old, and George C. Boehmer, forty-three years old. Despite the protestations of twenty-six men and women who were conferring with the spirit, the two were locked up as disorderly persons. The arrests were made by Lieutenants Quinn and Harris, of police headquarters, and Plainciothesmen ants Quinn and Harris, of police headquarters, and Plainciothesmen Volk, Goodwin, Baumann and Schroeder, of the Second precinct. The activities of the medium and his spirit spouse have been conduct-ed for several weeks in the house at the New street address. At fifty cents per head, gullible conferces were per-mitted to speak to departed relatives. Mrs. Boehmer, who is gifted with a marvelous flexibility of relationship, was the departed relative in each case.

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The favored few were conducted into a darkened room to the tune of slow and "spooky" music, where they were awed into a proper attitude by mysterious incantations. Under the NEW YORK. Jan. 13.—In an effort to solve the mystery of the finding of the body of a man in the trunk placed on the sidewalk of 47 Pitt street, on December 29 last, Detective Lieutenant Steinkampf, together with several

to filter hazily out through the key-hole. The police confiscated an am-brosial gown, which appeared to their arrest was maintained at first, the police refusing to disclose his identity or to state where he was arrested.

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His mother visited him at the h spital late yesterday and stayed by his bedside for a time. The boy is still conscious and able to talk.

Both Robbins ard his mother aver that the capsules were taken Sunday, night in mistake for quinine captage.